



**PATENT APPLICATION**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Docket No: 28944/40016

**PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.53**

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Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

Inventor(s): Bruno HAMELIN

Title: A VEHICLE SEAT HAVING A BACK THAT CAN BE FOLDED DOWN FORWARDS

**1. Type of Application**

- ☒ This is a new application for a  
☒ utility patent.  
☐ design patent.
- ☐ This is a continuation-in-part application of prior application no.

**2. Application Papers Enclosed**

- 1 Title Page  
12 Pages of Specification (excluding Claims, Abstract, Drawings & Sequence Listing)  
3 Page(s) of Claims  
1 Page(s) of Abstract  
3 Sheet(s) of Drawings (Figs. 1 to 4)  
☒ Formal  
☐ Informal  
Page(s) of Sequence Listing

**CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.10**

I hereby certify that this Patent Application Transmittal and the documents referred to as enclosed therewith are being deposited with the United States Postal Service on November 21, 2001, in an envelope addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 2327, Box Patent Application, Arlington, VA 22202 utilizing the "Express Mail Post Office, to Addressee" service of the United States Postal Service under Mailing Label No. EL906957664US.

  
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**3. Declaration or Oath**

- ☐ Enclosed
- ☐ Executed by (check all applicable boxes)
- ☐ Inventor(s)
- ☐ Legal representative of inventor(s)  
(37 CFR 1.42 or 1.43)
- ☐ Joint inventor or person showing a proprietary interest on  
behalf of inventor who refused to sign or cannot be reached
- ☐ The petition required by 37 CFR 1.47 and the  
statement required by 37 CFR 1.47 are enclosed.  
See Item 5D below for fee.
- ☒ Not enclosed - the undersigned attorney or agent is authorized to file this  
application on behalf of the applicant(s). An executed declaration will follow.

**4. Small Entity Status**

- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.
- ☐ A small entity statement is (are) attached.

**5. Additional Papers Enclosed**

- ☐ Preliminary Amendment
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement
- ☐ Declaration of Biological Deposit
- ☐ Computer readable copy of sequence listing containing nucleotide and/or  
amino acid sequence
- ☐ Microfiche computer program
- ☐ Associate Power of Attorney
- ☐ Verified translation of a non-English patent application
- ☐ An assignment of the invention
- ☐ Request and Certification Under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i)
- ☒ Return receipt postcard
- ☐ Other

6. **Priority Applications Under 35 USC 119**

Certified copies of applications from which priority under 35 USC 119 is claimed are listed below and

☒ are attached.

☐ will follow.

COUNTRY	APPLICATION NO.	FILED
France	FR 00 15187	November 24, 2000

7. **Filing Fee Calculation (37 CFR 1.16)**

A. ☒ **Utility Application**

CLAIMS AS FILED - INCLUDING PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT (IF ANY)						
	NO. FILED	NO. EXTRA	SMALL ENTITY		OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY	
			RATE	FEE	RATE	FEE
BASIC FEE				\$370.00		\$740.00
TOTAL	7-20	= 0	X 9 =	\$	X 18 =	\$
INDEP.	1 - 3	= 0	X 42 =	\$	X 84 =	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claim			+ 140 =	\$	+ 280 =	\$
Filing Fee:				\$	OR	\$740.00

B. ☐ **Design Application (\$160.00/\$320.00)** Filing Fee: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

C. ☐ **Plant Application (\$245.00/\$490.00)** Filing Fee: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

D. **Other Fees**

☐ Recording Assignment [Fee -- \$40.00 per assignment] \$ \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Petition fee for filing by other than all the inventors or person on behalf of the inventor where inventor refused to sign or cannot be reached [Fee -- \$130.00] \$ \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Other \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Fees Enclosed \$740.00**

**8. Method of Payment of Fees**

- ☒ Enclosed check in the amount of: \$740.00
- ☐ Charge Deposit Account No. 50-1903 in the amount of: \$  
A copy of this Transmittal is enclosed.
- ☐ Not enclosed

**9. Deposit Account and Refund Authorization**

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the amount enclosed or any additional fees which may be required during the pendency of this application under 37 CFR 1.16 or 37 CFR 1.17 or under other applicable rules (except payment of issue fees), to Deposit Account No. 50-1903. A copy of this Transmittal is enclosed.

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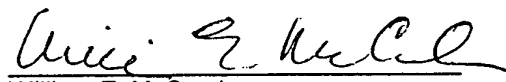
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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION


FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

## Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.  
*A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.*
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(l) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.

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